IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) A controlled-object model generation method for generating a model of a controlled object, the method comprising:

acquiring time series data of manipulated variables given to a controlled object and time series data of controlled variables <u>outputtedoutput</u> by the controlled object in response thereto; and

generating a model of the controlled object by

acquiring time series data of values which is <u>outputtedoutput</u> from a transfer function assumed in advance when the acquired time series data of manipulated variables is <u>inputtedinput</u> to the transfer function <u>including dead time</u>, and

identifying one or more parameters of the transfer function so that optimize an error between the time series data of output values and the acquired time series data of controlled variables corresponding thereto or optimize a value derived from the error, by setting an initial value for the one or more parameters and repeatedly changing values of the one or more parameters optimum.

2. (currently amended) A computer-readable storage medium encoded with a controlled-object model generation program used for realization of a controlled-object model generation method, the program causing a computer to execute a method comprising:

acquiring time series data of manipulated variables given to a controlled object and time series data of controlled variables <u>outputtedoutput</u> by the controlled object in response thereto; and

generating a model of the controlled object by

acquiring time series data of values which is <u>outputtedoutput</u> from a transfer function assumed in advance when the acquired time series data of manipulated variables is <u>inputtedinput</u> to the transfer function <u>including dead time</u>, and

identifying one or more parameters of the transfer function so-that <u>optimize</u> an error between the time series data of output values and the acquired time series data of controlled variables corresponding thereto or <u>optimize</u> a value derived from the error, <u>by setting</u> an initial value for the one or more parameters and repeatedly changing values of the one or <u>more parameters</u> becomes optimum.

3. (currently amended) A controlled-object model generation method for generating a model of a controlled object, the method comprising:

acquiring time series data of manipulated variables given to a controlled object and time series data of controlled variables <u>outputtedoutput</u> by the controlled object in response thereto;

acquiring time series data of values which is <u>outputtedoutput</u> from each of transfer functions assumed in advance when the acquired time series data of manipulated variables is <u>inputtedinput</u> to the transfer function <u>including dead time</u>, and identifying one or more parameters of the transfer function <u>so-that optimize</u> an error between the time series data of output values and the acquired time series data of controlled variables corresponding thereto or <u>optimize</u> a value derived from the error, <u>by setting an initial value for the one or more parameters and repeatedly changing values of the one or more parameters becomes optimum</u>; and

selecting, from the plurality of transfer functions having the identified parameters, the optimum one as a model of a controlled object based on the error acquired when the identification is completed or the value derived from the error.

4. (currently amended) A computer-readable storage medium encoded with a controlled-object model generation program used for realization of a controlled-object model generation method, the program causing a computer to execute a method comprising:

acquiring time series data of manipulated variables given to a controlled object and time series data of controlled variables outputtedoutput by the controlled object in response thereto;

acquiring time series data of values which is <u>outputtedoutput</u> from each of transfer functions assumed in advance when the acquired time series data of manipulated variables is

inputted input to the transfer function including dead time, and identifying one or more parameters of the transfer function se-that optimize an error between the time series data of output values and the acquired time series data of controlled variables corresponding thereto or optimize a value derived from the error, by setting an initial value for the one or more parameters and repeatedly changing values of the one or more parameters becomes optimum; and

selecting, from the plurality of transfer functions having the identified parameters, the optimum one as a model of a controlled object based on the error acquired when the identification is completed or the value derived from the error.

5. (currently amended) A control parameter adjustment method for adjusting control parameters of a controller, the method comprising:

generating a model of a controlled object according to a controlled-object model generation process for generating a model of a controlled object;

in order to adjust a control algorithm of the controller, adjusting control parameters of the control algorithm; and

creating and outputting data showing relationship among a desired controlled variable, a manipulated variable and a controlled variable by simulating the state when the controller with the adjusted control parameters controls the controlled object with the use of the controlled-object model and the control algorithm,

wherein the predetermined controlled-object model generation process further comprises:

acquiring time series data of manipulated variables given to a controlled object and time series data of controlled variables <u>outputted</u> by the controlled object in response thereto; and

generating a model of the controlled object by acquiring time series data of values which is <u>outputtedoutput</u> from a transfer function assumed in advance when the acquired time series data of manipulated variables is <u>inputtedinput</u> to the transfer function <u>including dead time</u>, and identifying one or more parameters of the transfer function so that <u>optimizes</u> an error between the time series data of output values and the acquired time series data of controlled variables corresponding thereto or <u>optimizes</u> a value derived from the error, by setting an initial

value for the one or more parameters and repeatedly changing values of the one or more parameters becomes optimum.

6. (currently amended) A computer-readable storage medium encoded with a control parameter adjustment program used for realization of a control parameter adjustment method, the program causing a computer to execute a method comprising:

acquiring time series data of manipulated variables given to a controlled object and time series data of controlled variables outputted by the controlled object in response thereto;

generating a model of the controlled object by acquiring time series data of values which is <u>outputtedoutput</u> from a transfer function assumed in advance when the acquired time series data of manipulated variables is <u>inputtedinput</u> to the transfer function <u>including dead time</u>, and identifying one or more parameters of the transfer function <u>so</u>-that <u>optimize</u> an error between the time series data of output values and the acquired time series data of controlled variables corresponding thereto or <u>optimize</u> a value derived from the error, <u>by setting an initial value for the one or more parameters and repeatedly changing values of the one or more parameters becomes optimum</u>;

in order to adjust a control algorithm of the controller, adjusting control parameters of the control algorithm; and

creating and outputting data showing relationship among a desired controlled variable, a manipulated variable and a controlled variable by simulating the state when the controller with the adjusted control parameters controls the controlled object with the use of the controlled-object model and the control algorithm.

7. (currently amended) A control parameter adjustment method for adjusting control parameters of a controller, the method comprising:

generating a model of a controlled object according to a controlled-object model generation process for generating a model of a controlled object;

in order to adjust a control algorithm of the controller, adjusting control parameters of the control algorithm; and

creating and outputting data showing relationship among a desired controlled variable, a manipulated variable and a controlled variable by simulating the state when the controller with

the adjusted control parameters controls the controlled object with the use of the controlledobject model and the control algorithm,

wherein the controlled-object model generation process further comprises:

acquiring time series data of manipulated variables given to a controlled object and time series data of controlled variables <u>outputted</u> output by the controlled object in response thereto:

acquiring time series data of values which is <u>outputtedoutput</u> from each of transfer functions assumed in advance when the acquired time series data of manipulated variables is <u>inputtedinput</u> to the transfer function <u>including dead time</u>, and identifying one or more parameters of the transfer function <u>so</u>-that <u>optimize</u> an error between the time series data of output values and the acquired time series data of controlled variables corresponding thereto or <u>optimize</u> a value derived from the error, <u>by setting an initial value for the one or more parameters and repeatedly changing values of the one or more parameters becomes optimum; and</u>

selecting, from the plurality of transfer functions having the identified parameters, the optimum one as a model of a controlled object based on the error acquired when the identification is completed or the value derived from the error.

8. (currently amended) A computer-readable storage medium encoded with a control parameter adjustment program used for realization of a control parameter adjustment method, the program causing a computer to execute a method comprising:

acquiring time series data of manipulated variables given to a controlled object and time series data of controlled variables outputtedoutput by the controlled object in response thereto;

acquiring time series data of values which is <u>outputtedoutput</u> from each of transfer functions assumed in advance when the acquired time series data of manipulated variables is <u>inputtedinput</u> to the transfer function <u>including dead time</u>, and identifying one or more parameters of the transfer function <u>so-that optimize</u> an error between the time series data of output values and the acquired time series data of controlled variables corresponding thereto or <u>optimize</u> a value derived from the error, <u>by setting an initial value for the one or more</u> parameters and repeatedly changing values of the one or more parameters <u>becomes optimum</u>;

selecting, from the plurality of transfer functions having the identified parameters, the optimum one as a model of a controlled object based on the error acquired when the identification is completed or the value derived from the error;

in order to adjust a control algorithm of the controller, adjusting control parameters of the control algorithm; and

creating and outputting data showing relationship among a desired controlled variable, a manipulated variable and a controlled variable by simulating the state when the controller with the adjusted control parameters controls the controlled object with the use of the controlled-object model and the control algorithm.

9. (currently amended) A method for generating a model of a controlled object, comprising:

generating a controlled-object model, which receives time series manipulated variables and outputs time series controlled variables in response thereto, from based upon a transfer function including dead time determined prior to said generating and optimum parameters derived from the controlled variables and at least one error in an output of the transfer function by setting an initial value for the parameters and repeatedly changing values of the parameters.

10. (Previously Presented) The method recited in claim 9, wherein the transfer function is not modified while generating the controlled-object model.